REMARKS

The September 26, 2005, Office Action rejected claims 23-25 and 31-33, objected to claims 26-30, and allowed claims 1-22 pending in the application. Applicants cancel claim 26. After entry of this Amendment, claims 1-25 and 27-33 remain pending in the application, including 4 independent claims. In view of the following remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. No new subject matter is being added by this Amendment.

The Examiner objected to claims 26-30 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but stated they would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants hereby cancel claim 26 and amend claims 23 and 29, to conform with the Examiner's suggestion. Specifically, claim 23 is amended to include the limitations of claim 26 and claim 29 is amended to include the limitations of claim 23.

If, for any reason, the Examiner determines that one or more of the pending claims are not allowable, the undersigned respectfully requests a telephone call to discuss the matter.

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